

12/08/2015

Incident: Technical Rescue – Cat in Engine Compartment

Location: Main St. and Palm St.

Date/Time Occurred: 12/05/15 @ 2030 hours

Officer(s) Involved: Ventura PD Patrol

Victim(s): Koi, the cat

Narrative:

On the above date and time, two Ventura Police Officers were patrolling the Downtown Ventura Wine Walk when they were summoned by a motorist of a vehicle near the intersection of Main St. and Palm. The driver indicated that she and her boyfriend had come downtown from their home on the east end of Ventura and were leaving, when she heard the sounds a meowing cat coming from the engine compartment area of her vehicle.

Checking the vehicle, the motorist discovered that her pet cat, Koi, at some point before leaving home had climbed its way into the engine compartment of the vehicle and was sitting in a space between the bumper and engine, directly behind the front license plate.

Given the location of Koi, it presented a problem on trying to free the cat from the vehicle. Several passerbys were trying to assist in the rescue, but none were successful. Fortunately, the owner of a local towing company, Double R Towing, was passing by and stopped to help. He assessed the situation and having the right tools, jacked the vehicle up and removed several parts of the undercarriage.

This freed Koi, who was found to be uninjured, from the vehicle and allowed the owner to safely return the cat home.